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PRODUCTION OF LUMBER, LATH, AND SHINGLES IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA, 1934

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LUMBER CUT - M Ft. B.M.
(Mills cutting 50 M or over)

SPECIES	PINE REGION		REDWOOD REGION		TOTAL	
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Ponderosa pine	476,215	70.7	215	.1	476,430	46.9
Sugar pine	92,790	13.8	-	-	92,790	9.2
White fir	(1) 34,217	5.1	12,878	3.8	47,095	4.6
Douglas fir	50,245	7.5	43,771	12.8	94,016	9.3
Cedar	(2) 18,814	2.8	583	.2	19,397	1.9
Redwood	(3) 12	-	282,137	82.6	282,149	27.8
Spruce	-	-	1,815	.5	1,815	.2
Lodgepole pine	2	-	-	-	2	-
Hemlock	886	.1	-	-	886	.1
Alder	-	-	146	-	146	.0
Oak	1	-	20	-	21	-
TOTALS	(4) 673,182	100.0	341,565	100.0	1,014,747	100.0

In addition to the above, 32 mills producing less than 50 M each cut 758

TOTAL, all mills 1,015,505

Lath	~~6,200~~ 7,197 M pcs.	3,200 M pcs.	10,397 9,466 M pcs.
Shingles	400 squares	78,776 squares	79,176 squares
Sawn shakes	60 M pcs.	-	60 M pcs.

(1) Includes both white and red fir.
(2) The pine region cedar cut was entirely incense cedar; that of the redwood region was all Port Orford cedar.
(3) Bigtree (Sequoia washingtoniana). The redwood of the (coast) redwood region is Sequoia sempervirens.
(4) About 12 million feet of Douglas fir and hemlock was cut from Oregon logs.

Comparative production since 1920 - totals, including hardwoods, for all mills (California and Nevada) cutting over 50 M feet per annum and percentage increase or decrease of each year as compared with preceding year:

Year	Cut M feet	%	Year	Cut M feet	%	Year	Cut M feet	%
1921	1,350,438		1926	2,187,959	7.1	1931	957,740	-36.8
1922	1,720,556	27.4	1927	2,070,811	-5.4	1932	680,520	-28.9
1923	2,118,094	23.1	1928	1,952,659	-5.7	1933	784,626	15.3
1924	1,996,496	-5.7	1929	2,063,229	5.7	1934	1,014,747	29.3
1925	2,042,991	2.3	1930	1,514,263	-26.6			

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Lumber production in California during 1934 showed a marked increase over 1933. The 1934 cut totaled 1,015,505 M bd. ft., 29% greater than production in 1933, and 49% in excess of the low output of 1932. Even this year's production, however, is 49% under the average of the pre-depression 5 years.

Approximately two thirds of the total production, or 673,182 M bd.ft., was cut in the pine region during 1934. Ponderosa pine was the most important species cut, making up 47% of the total production in the State. Redwood was second in importance with 28% of the cut, while Douglas fir and sugar pine each accounted for 9% of the output.

Most of the California lumber produced in 1934 was manufactured in large band mills, about 83% of the total cut originating in 27 mills cutting in excess of 10 million bd.ft. The balance of the cut was reported by 168 mills cutting from 50 M to 10,000 M per year. The number of reporting mills cutting more than 50 M totaled 195 in 1934, or 33% more than in 1933.